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TECH WINS RACE BY SIXTY YARDS.



TECH RELAY TEAM.

Left to right: R. B. TODD, '08; A. L. MOSES, '09; G. S. GOULD, '07; H. W. BLACKBURN, '08; C. W. GRAM, '09.

RELAY TEAM DEFEATS HOLY CROSS BY A BIG LEAD IN SPITE OF BAD LUCK ON FIRST RELAY. ALLEN WINS HIGH JUMP.

In spite of a serious mishap in the first relay, Technology defeated Holy Cross in the relay race at the B. A. A. games at the Mechanics Building, Saturday evening, by half of a lap. As soon as Todd got down to work, after falling on his second turn, it was evident that the race would go to Tech. Each man ran 390 yards, and Tech's time was 3 minutes and 18 seconds.

Todd was set back twice at the start because of his over-anxiousness to get away, and then on his second turn, slipped and fell. His opponent, J. F. Foley, thus had a lead of thirty yards which Todd had cut down to twenty when Gram took up the race for Tech, with E. J. Cogswell against him. Gram ran a great race and passed Cogswell on the second lap, giving Blackburn a lead of six yards.

Blackburn ran against J. J. Hasset and so outclassed the latter that, when Gould took up the last relay, Tech was one-half a lap ahead. J. F. Kneeland made a hard attempt to cut down the lead but Gould maintained it without any trouble.

Of the Tech men entered in the other events, R. H. Allen, '09, made the best showing, winning the high jump with an actual jump of 5 feet, 7½ inches. His handicap of 5½ inches enabled him to defeat H. A. Gidney, scratch, by three-quarters of an inch.

Six Tech men, Gould, '07, Fernstrom, '10, Gram, '09, Richards, '07, Todd, '08, and Moses, '09, ran in the forty-yard handicap dash, the first four winning their trial heats. Fernstrom was the only one to win a semi-final heat and finished fourth in the final. Fernstrom also showed up in the 440-yard novice race, winning his trial heat and getting third in the final. Capt. Richards was entered in the invitation 40-yard dash, but lost his heat to C. J. Seitz of the New York Athletic Club.

B. L. Gimson, '08, with a forty-five yard handicap, finished fifth in the 1000-yards run. In the 600-yards run, Gram, '09, with a bad start, finished fourth in his trial heat. Moses, '09, was also in the race but fell on the second lap, and left the track.

Other Tech men who competed were R. C. Albro, '07, in the 45-yards high hurdle race; H. H. Howland, '08, and C. J. Batchelder, '08, in the mile run; G. H. Chapman, '07, in the 1000-yards run, and M. E. Mac-Gregor, '07, in the two-mile run.

FIRST KOMMERS HELD.

Despite the counter-attraction of the B. A. A. meet, on Saturday evening, the first Kommers of the year, under the auspices of the Civic Club was well attended. Mr. Louis Frothingham gave an interesting and instructive talk on Panama Canal, first outlining the history of the canal project and then passing on to a discussion of present developments and conditions on the Isthmus. A number of good lantern views of the canal and of the city of Panama were shown.

FACULTY NOTICES.

Second Year.—The room assignments for Sections in Integral Calculus are as follows: Course X, 27 Rogers; Course II, Section 1A, 27 Rogers; Section 2A, 9 Eng. C; Course II, Section 2B, and Course III, Section 1B and 2, 26 Lowell; Course IV, 33 Rogers.

French Colloquium.—The class will meet Mr. Blachstein Mondays and Thursdays at four in 22 Lowell.

Fourth Year.—Students in Courses II, VI, and XIII, will meet Dr. Gill on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, for Gas and Fuel Analysis in 33 Walker.

FIVE LOSSES TO BROWN.

Tech Basket-Ball Team is Defeated for the Third Time in a Hard Fought Battle.

In a hard, fast game at the Gym Saturday afternoon Tech was barely defeated by Brown, 14 to 10, in the third game of the series. The game was hard-fought and clean throughout and the Tech line did much better work than in the other two games at Providence. The low score is evidence of the fine covering game played by each team.

Elrod of Brown made some remarkably difficult baskets from the floor, while Nichols and Kinnear showed up well for the home team.

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Pryor, l.f. r.g. Went'rth, (Campbell) Dickinson, r.g. l.g. Nichols Elrod, c. c. Pierce Schwartz (Holburn) l.g. r.g. Kinnear Reynolds, r.g. l.f. Gregory

Score—Brown 14, Tech 10. Goals from floor—Kinnear 3, Elrod 3, Schwartz 2, Reynolds, Gregory. Goals on free tries—Reynolds 2, Kinnear 2. Free tries missed—Wentworth, Reynolds 3, Kinnear 3, Pryor. Fouls called—Elrod 2, Gregory 2, Pierce, Reynolds, Kinnear 2, Schwartz 2, Holborn, Nichols. Referee—Bankhart, Dartmouth. Timer—Manson, Tech. Time—Twenty-minute halves. Attendance—200.

NOTICE TO SENIORS.

The Portfolio Committee asks that every Senior, who has not had a sitting for the Portfolio at Notman's, will please make an appointment at once. The Committee wishes to do its best by the class, but unless this is attended to, it cannot do so, as one man may delay the whole book.

The Committee also asks the men to be as prompt as possible in designating which picture they wish to go in the book. If the photographer hears nothing from a man within three days after he receives his proofs, the committee will take it upon itself to select the picture to be used. If a man is not satisfied with his proofs he should make an appointment within three days, for a resitting.

CALENDAR.

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 18.

- 1.00 P.M. Meeting of THE TECH Board in 30 Rogers.
 - 4.00 P.M. Mandolin Club Rehearsal in 31 Rogers.
 - 4.00 P.M. Banjo Club Rehearsal in 33 Rogers.
 - 4.15 P.M. Glee Club Rehearsal at the Y. M. C. A.
 - 8.00 P.M. Electrical Engineering Society Smoker at the Union.
- TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 19.
- 1.30 P.M. Meeting of the Rifle Club in Major Wheeler's Office, 31 Rogers.
 - 7.30 P.M. Mechanic Arts High School Club Meeting at the Union.
 - 8.00 P.M. Basketball, Tech vs. Harvard. Hemingway Gymnasium Cambridge.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 20.

- 8.00 P.M. Chemical Society Smoker at the Tech Union.
- 8.00 P.M. Meeting of American Institute of Electrical Engineers in 6 Lowell.



CAPT. K. W. RICHARDS.

NOTICES.

M. A. H. S. Club.—There will be meeting of the M. A. H. S. Club at the Union, Tuesday, Feb. 19, at 7.30 P.M. Tickets 25 cents. Please purchase in advance.

Chemical Society.—The Chemical Society will hold a smoker, Feb. 20 at 8 P.M. at the Union. Prof. H. P. Talbot will speak on "Some Modifications in Old Notions, made necessary by Recent Experiments."

Rifle Club.—An important meeting of the Rifle Club will be held in Major Wheeler's office at 1.30 o'clock on Tuesday. All men interested in the club are invited to be present. All members are requested to be on hand as matters of great importance will be brought up.

Cross Country Association.—All nominations for President, Manager, Secretary, Captain and Chase Captain of the Cross Country Association, must be in on or before Saturday, Feb. 23, 1907. Nominations must be signed by a member of the Association, and left at the Cage for, or given to C. S. Clapp, '08.

Electrical Engineers.—A meeting of the Boston Branch of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, will be held Wednesday evening, Feb. 20, in 6 Lowell. A paper on "Some Features of Power Plant Operation," will be given by Farley Osgood, General Manager of the New Milford Power Plant, Milford, Conn. The paper will be illustrated.

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The Institute is primarily a place for the study of the applied sciences. This aim is evident in the direct and practical application of these studies. But in those studies which are given in order that the graduate may be a man of good judgment, sound ideas, and symmetrical mental development, this directness and practicality of application is wanting, and the benefit of the subjects is to a great extent lost. Something in addition to the present courses of instruction in English, History, and Political Economy is needed, in order that the student may learn to apply the knowledge acquired through these studies, and get a clearer understanding of the events which occupy men's minds and the forces which influence men's environment at the present time. Among the officers of instruction are men who are eminently qualified to lecture upon current events and upon the use of history and political science as aids to a thorough comprehension of them. The students would quickly appreciate the benefits to be derived from such a course of lectures; the importance of such affairs as the trust problems, tariff revision, the problem of the Philippines with the closely allied "Japan war" talk, together with many other things, call for them. The eagerness with which the student body waits for a convocation is a proof of the cordiality with which they would welcome a course on general affairs.

The editor of a college paper occupies rather a unique position. With unsparing criticism, slight assistance, and no praise, his post is surely not one to be coveted.

His work on the paper is regarded by Faculty and students alike as a sort of recreation, for which he receives no credit. If the paper comes out on time and contains the usual amount of news there is nothing said *pro* or *con*. But let it be an hour late, or contain a wrong statement, and a cloud of disapprobation breaks over the head of the unfortunate editor, and he never hears the last of it, even though examinations or illness may have rendered the best work next to impossible.

This editorial is not written to

ask for more consideration on the part of our readers, or for more assistance. We never expect the former, and have given up all hope of the latter, save in a restricted sense. What we do ask for is *honesty*. When a local is dropped in the box at the News Bureau with the name of the author thereon, we take it for granted that the statement is a fact, and publish or reject it according as we consider it of general interest or not. The name of the sender is required only as a proof of good faith, and it is upon this faith that we depend for the accuracy of the notices and news items sent to us. Moreover, we would like again to call the attention of the student body to the fact that *THE TECH*, in order to appear at the correct time, has to go to press at a certain time, and that the Editors are not to blame if notices are handed in too late for insertion.

Another point we wish to make is that the communication column of *THE TECH* is not intended to be used for the airing of personal quarrels or of personal dislikes. It is intended for the open discussion of problems affecting the Institute or the student body. *THE TECH* welcomes all communications on these subjects but requests that they be concisely written in good, clear English. So many communications have been received which begin with one idea, and end up with another, without getting anywhere in the meantime, all containing words enough to fill a complete issue, that *THE TECH* has begun to believe that, in spite of the efforts of the English Department, very few Institute students understand in the least the use of the English language. *THE TECH* desires communications, but it desires also that the writer state his arguments in a clear, concise manner. Moreover, all communications which are unsigned will be consigned to the waste basket, whether or not they are suitable for publication.

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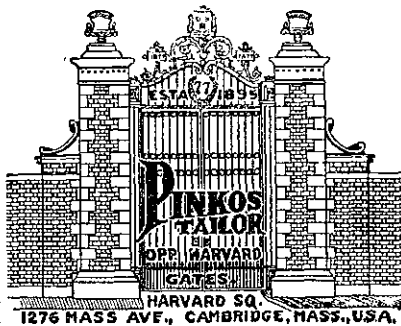
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There are several stories told concerning the eccentricities of this representative of that famous and wealthy old New England family. Miss Weld at an early age concluded to be of some use in the world and announced her intention of learning to build battleships. Mrs. Lucia Ames Mead, sometimes termed "a temporal vice-regent of the Prince of Peace," on hearing of Miss Weld's intention was horrified. "My dear Miss Weld," declaimed Mrs. Mead, "one battleship costs as much as an entire university. One is educational and the other is totally destructive. I am astounded."

"My dear Mrs. Mead," responded the young lady, "your mathematics are correct, but I question your logic. Frequently there are occasions in the onward march of civilization when one good battleship, properly handled, is worth more to humanity than forty average universities."

Miss Weld however persisted in her intention, fitted at Tech and matriculated. Donning her leather apron, greasing, oiling and blackening her hands, she worked at the bench and forge and not least at her books.

President Orcutt, of the Newport News Company, is very proud of his fair employee, and says that he hopes that his company will get the contract for the "Skeered-o-nothing." If he does, Miss Weld will have the proud distinction of helping with the working plans for the greatest, most powerful and fastest battleship that the world has yet seen.

A revised edition of Professor Osborne's Differential and Integral Calculus has recently appeared. The old book has been rearranged and considerably enlarged. Professor George has prepared a new chapter on the Integration of Rational Functions, and Professors Tyler and Woods are also given credit for sharing in the work.

Professor Osborne has added a chapter on Series in the Differential Calculus, and one on the simple applications of Integral Calculus. In both branches many examples illustrating applications to mechanics and physics have been added. The new book will be the required text book next year.

WILL AGAIN FENCE TUFTS.

Owing to disagreement on the part of the judges, no decision could be reached on the Tech-Tufts Fencing Meet at the Tufts Gym on Thursday evening. The captains of the two teams mutually agreed to call the meet off and to repeat it at a later date, when officials who have no connection with either college can be obtained.

At the end of the meet Tech had three bouts, Tufts claimed two, and the remaining four bouts were declared ties. Tech will again meet Tufts on February 27, probably at Medford, although Capt. Bountheau will attempt to have the meet held at the Tech Gym.

HOLLIS STREET THEATRE.

Annie Russell will be at the Hollis Street Theatre only a single week, and that will be the only opportunity that Bostonians will have of seeing the spectacular presentation of "A Midsummer Night's Dream" which she offers this season. It will be a gorgeous succession of dainty fairy pictures and a notable Shakespearian company will be enlisted in the production. The chief interest will centre in the impersonation of Puck which will introduce Miss Russell in a character entirely different from any that she has ever played upon the Boston stage.

DISCUSS TUTORIAL SYSTEM.

The Instructors' Club dined at the Union on Thursday, the 14th, with guests from the Faculty and with Mr. James P. Munroe of the Corporation as speaker of the evening. Mr. Munroe's very sympathetic and interesting address on "The Relations between College Trustees and College Teachers," was followed by general discussion, especially of the proposed tutorial or preceptorial system and how far it might be possible and profitable at Tech. Opinion seemed mainly to favor the system, with some scepticism as to the recruiting and practical working of a tutorial force and its adjustment to the working of the regular instructing staff.

At the meeting of the Mining Engineering Society last Friday, J. H. Leavell, '07, and R. W. Wilson, '08, spoke concerning some of the work and experiences in mining. Leavell spoke on quicksilver mining in Texas and gave a brief outline of some of his work at Bingham. Wilson gave a short talk concerning the recruiting and care of laborers in the South African mines. These laborers are all negro "boys" and are treated more as prisoners than as laborers.

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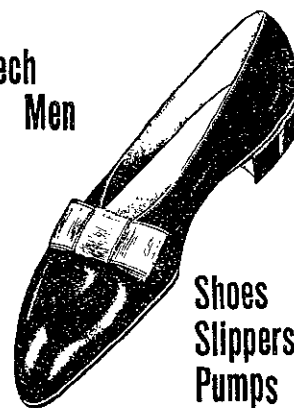
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PARK THEATRE.

Hattie Williams is proving one of the liveliest and most vivacious of all the musical comedy stars of the day. She has just been elevated to that position by Charles Frohman, and the success of "The Little Cherub" in New York was the result. Now she comes to Boston, the city of her girlhood home, and the success at the Park Theatre is well known everywhere, and the songs she sings are whistled everywhere.

MAJESTIC THEATRE.

Lew Fields and his great company will continue to present the musical absurdity "About Town" at the Majestic Theatre during this week, giving the regular Thursday and Saturday matinees and a special matinee on Friday, Washington's Birthday. The unusual quality of the production, in connection with the established reputation of Mr. Fields and his merry companions, makes the occasion of undoubted interest.

The fencing season at the Naval Academy, which was interrupted by examinations, was resumed Saturday. The midshipmen's opponents were the Melrose Turn Verein of New York City. The intercollegiate contests will begin on Feb. 22, when Columbia University sends a team to Annapolis. The only other dual contests this season are with the University of Pennsylvania, on Feb. 23, and with Cornell, on March 9. The academy will send team as usual to the intercollegiate meet, which takes place at New York on March 29 and 30.

An open fencing tournament will take place in the Harvard gym this afternoon at 3 o'clock. The competitors will be divided into three groups — graduates and undergraduates who are junior fencers; men eligible for the university team excepting junior fencers, and men for the freshman team. Cups will be awarded to the winners of the first group and first and second men of the second group. The tournament will be divided into sections and the round-robin arrangement will be followed. Any member of the university may enter the competition.

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